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WATERMARKS IN DIGITAL SIGNALS
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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

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Sir:

This Amendment and Reply is accompanied by a request for continued examination (RCE) and the appropriate fee for an RCE set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). This communication is responsive to the Notice of Allowance mailed August 13, 2010, concerning the above-referenced patent application. November 13, 2010 is three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: